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SUBJECT: EXTENSION OF CONSULTATION PERIOD FOR CANADIAN
GLOBAL QUOTAS INSTITUTED UNDER ARTICLE XIX

REF: GENEVA 4015

1. USDEL IS REQUESTED TO APPROACH CANADIAN DEL AND
SEEK A NINETY-DAY EXTENSION OF THE CONSULTATION PERIOD
PROVIDED FOR IN ARTICLE XIX (3)(A) WITH RESPECT TO THE
GLOBAL QUOTAS NOTIFIED ON MEN'S AND BOY'S SHIRTS
AS IT NOW APPEARS THE U.S. MIGHT HAVE A SUBSTANTIAL
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SUPPLIER INTEREST IN THESE ITEMS. GLOBAL QUOTA ON

MEN'S AND BOY'S SHIRTS WAS NOTIFIED AND EXTENDED ON
5/20/76 (GATT REF. L/4143 AND L/4143 ADD. 1).

2. DUE TO COMPLEXITIES IN PRICE AND TRADE DATA USG
HAS NOT YET COMPLETED INVESTIGATION OF POTENTIAL
EFFECTS OF THESE ACTIONS ON U.S. EXPORTS TO CANADA.
EMBASSY OTTAWA HAS SENT US PRELIMINARY DATA FROM
MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY TRADE AND COMMERCE INDICATING
2,046 DOZEN SHIRTS WERE IMPORTED UNDER IMPORT PERMIT
INTO CANADA THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF 1976
FROM THE U.S. ALL OF THESE SHIRTS WERE APPARENTLY
IMPORTED UNDER IMPORT COMMODITY NUMBER 783-44: SHIRTS
POLYESTER-COTTON BLEND, EXCLUDING KNIT. SINCE TRADE
IN ITEMS UNDER QUOTA IN 1975 APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN
ALMOST NEGLIGIBLE, THE BULK OF THE 6 MONTH TRADE NOTED
ABOVE MAY HAVE OCCURRED AFTER THE \$30/DOZEN PRICE LIMIT
WAS INCREASED TO \$43/DOZEN IN MAY. IN CONSULTATIONS
WITH GOC DEL, MISSION IS REQUESTED TO CONFIRM ABOVE
DATA AND DETERMINE EXTENT OF U.S. TRADE INTEREST,
AND POSSIBLE TRADE DAMAGE. ALTHOUGH IT DOES NOT APPEAR
THAT THE U.S. HAS A TRADE INTEREST IN THE OTHER COMMODITY
ITEMS COVERED IN THIS NOTIFICATION (WITH THE POSSIBLE
EXCEPTION OF COM. NO. 784-89: SHIRTS AND SWEATSHIRTS,
KNIT NES), WE WOULD APPRECIATE MISSION CLARIFYING
THIS TOO. ROBINSON

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